

June 21, 2021

The Honorable Steven L. Tiscione  
United States District Court  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
**VIA ECF**

**Re: *Garcia v. Carranza*; 1:19-cv-03342-EK-ST**

Dear Judge Tiscione:

We write to provide the Court with the joint status report required by the Court's minute entry of April 20, 2021.

Since our last settlement conference, the parties have met twice, on April 23, and May 28, and we have another meeting scheduled for June 24. While we had anticipated making further strides in our negotiations before the end of the school year, the NYC Law Department was hit with a cyberattack on June 6 that resulted in the entire office being taken offline for nearly two weeks. Despite that, we have made progress on some discrete issues since our last report and are hopeful that the progress towards settlement will continue with the cooperation of both parties.

By August 1, Defendants are expected to provide the Office of Civil Rights with a status report on their efforts to implement the resolution agreement and will also be providing Plaintiffs with a copy of the report. With the Court's permission, we would like to send another update on August 10 in the hope that we will have a better understanding of where negotiations stand and how we could best benefit from the Court's assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

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